

news. In turn, Donna quickly embraced her newly adopted hometown and spoke of Little Rock with the love of a lifelong resident.

Any time there was breaking news, Donna would immediately track down everyone who could add to the story. I was always happy to talk with Donna as her sunny disposition, positive outlook, and understanding of Arkansas and the issues made for an enjoyable conversation.

In fact, with her cheerful demeanor and her great radio voice, I often joked with her about how she should have her own Delilah-style radio show.

But Donna's true passion was the news. You could tell that in her meticulous reporting on breaking news and how she tenaciously stayed on top of the stories that mattered to her listeners in an ever-changing news cycle.

You could easily judge how well-respected as a journalist Donna was, as well as how much she was liked on a personal level, by the outpouring of kind words that were shared upon the news of her passing. Public officials, fellow journalists, and KARN listeners all shared their stories of how much Donna meant to them on a professional and personal level in news reports and social media messages.

This sentiment was shared by her colleagues at KARN.

"Donna was at her happiest when she was working on a news story and never let anything keep her from getting her job done," said Cumulus market manager Keith Liesmann. "She was a friend to everyone she worked with."

My thoughts and prayers go out to Donna's friends, family, and colleagues. Her voice will truly be missed.●

RECOGNIZING THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE CITIES OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI, AND DAYTON, OHIO

● Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, today I wish to express my appreciation to the Dayton Development Coalition, the city of Dayton, OH, and the Air Force Research Laboratory for recently hosting city officials and community leaders from Vicksburg, MS. Representatives from the Mississippi Development Authority, Mississippi State University, and the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center also joined this trip to share ideas about how these two communities can continue their progress in support of these two critically important Department of Defense laboratories.

I would like to especially recognize Jeff Hoagland, Michael Gessel, and John Ingham of the Dayton Development Coalition for the guidance and insight they have provided and continue to provide to the Vicksburg community. I also appreciate Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley and the offices of the Senators from Ohio for their hospitality and insight. We hope that this is the beginning of a long and prosperous re-

lationship between the city of Vicksburg, MS, and the city of Dayton, OH. I look forward to our continued work together and hope that Vicksburg will be able to host a delegation from Dayton in the near future.●

TRIBUTE TO DAWSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND DEAN MYER

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I would like to recognize the students of Dawson County High School and Industrial Arts teacher Dean Myer. Thanks to their initiative and hard work, children and families in Dawson County will be able to create wonderful memories this summer at Penninger Park.

Due to staffing issues and delays at the Public Works Office, brandnew playground equipment had been sitting dormant in a storage unit for over a year and a half. The students and their teacher, Mr. Myer, recognized the problem and proactively decided pull the equipment out and construct it for all to enjoy.

Hands-on problem-solving is a wonderful Montana lesson, and I am proud to see our educators teaching the next generation practical skills in an innovative and community centered manner. With an eagerness to learn and help their community, they started work on the project in April and completed it before the end of the school year.

The students in Mr. Myers' class took on nearly every aspect of this project from reading the blue prints and measuring the site to learning how to operate complicated equipment. I am so impressed with the proactive teaching of Mr. Myer. I truly believe that you remember a lesson a lot longer if it requires you to get a little dirt under your fingernails.

Along with technical skills, the students learned an invaluable lesson on how to work together. Their teacher says, "One thing the class really emphasizes is getting along with other workers." Thanks to their cooperation, Jack Rice, Glendive Public Works director, is now hoping to collaborate with Mr. Myers and future classes on upcoming community projects.

Their camaraderie and hard work will leave a lasting impact on the community of Glendive. For years to come, this park will be a place where Montanans can come to run, climb, laugh, and enjoy the outdoors. In 20 years, I hope that those responsible for this park will return to take their children to play on the slides and jungle gym they helped build.

Thank you to the students and Mr. Meyer. I look forward to hearing about the next innovative work you will do together to benefit Montanans in the future.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to

the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH) announced that on today, June 29, 2016, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS):

H.R. 3114. An act to provide funds to the Army Corps of Engineers to hire veterans and members of the Armed Forces to assist the Corps with curation and historic preservation activities, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4902. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Air and Marine Operations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3110. A bill to provide for reforms of the administration of the outer Continental Shelf of the United States, to provide for the development of geothermal, solar, and wind energy on public land, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5952. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pentaerythritol tetrakis (3-(3,5-ditert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)propionate); Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9947-45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5953. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 2-oxiranymethyl ester, polymer with ethene, ethenyl acetate, ethenyltrimethoxysilane and sodium ethenesulfonate (1:1); Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9947-34) received in